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In re Application of:

KATSUHISA OGAWA ET AL.

Application No.: 09/210,545

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The claims changes are reflected in the listing that begins at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 5.

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